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 Serial No.: 09/743,589) Group Art Unit: Unknown
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The above-identified application was filed on January 11, 2001. Applicant has received the return postcard with filing date and serial number printed thereon. A copy of the postcard is attached herewith.

To this date, Applicant has not received an Official Filing Receipt and no action has issued on the merits of the case.

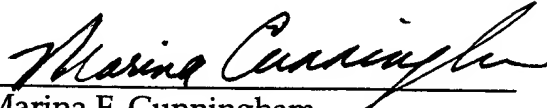
On December 6, 2001, a telephone call to the U.S.P.T.O was made and a clerk stated that a copy of the filing receipt would be mailed that day. The copy has not been received to date.

Applicant respectfully requests that a search of the Patent Office records be made and a Filing Receipt be sent to Applicant's attorney.

Applicant also respectfully requests an estimate of the time frame within which this application will be reached for a First Office Action.

Applicant believes no fee is due for filing this request, however, if it is determined that a fee is required, please charge deposit account no. 13-0235.

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